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## **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art teaches related caching systems but fail to teach the combination including the limitation of:

(Claim 19) "...upon receipt of the completed request, checking a return code to determine success or failure of the request; and if the request completed successfully, the change data is applied to the cache for updating the cache with the contents of the storage subsystem, thereby executing phase two of the two- phase commit procedure; else if the request failed, the change data is deleted without being applied to the cache"

(Claim 20) "...processing and, responsive to a receipt of a completed request, checking a return code to determine success or failure of the request', said data processor being responsive to a condition where the request completed successfully for applying the change data to the cache for updating the cache with the contents of the storage subsystem, thereby executing phase two of the two- phase commit procedure; else said data processor is responsive to said request failing for deleting the change data without applying the change data to the to the cache";

(Claim 22) "...upon receipt of a signal from the memory representative of completion of the request for change, checking a return code to determine success or failure of the request; and if the request completed successfully, the change data is applied to the cache for updating the cache with the contents of the storage subsystem, thereby executing phase two of the two- phase commit procedure; else if the request failed, the change data is deleted without being applied to the cache";

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(Claim 26) "...upon receipt of the completed request, checking a return code to determine success or failure of the request; and if the request completed successfully, the change data is applied to the cache for updating he cache with the contents of the storage subsystem, thereby executing phase two of the two-phase commit procedure; else if the request failed, the change data is deleted without being applied to the cache".

Claims 21, and 23-25 are allowed as being dependent upon, and thus incorporating therein, the allowable subject matter of the respective parent claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brian R. Peugh whose telephone number is (571) 272-4199. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 7:00am to 4:30pm. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Friday's from 7:00am to 4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Donald Sparks, can be reached on (571) 272-4201. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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